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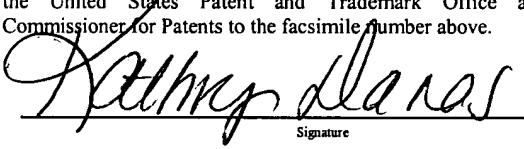
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Sir:

The Office Mailed a Notice of Allowance on July 11, 2006, allowing all of the pending claims 1-34. The due date for paying the Issue Fee is October 11, 2006. This paper is being filed on August 11, 2006, concurrently with the Issue Fee, therefore, it is timely filed.

It appears that, for convenience, the Examiner has paraphrased the claimed language in the Reasons for Allowance. While the Applicants understand the Examiner's desire to use convenient phraseology, the Applicants note that the proper scope of the claims should be governed based on the express language of the claims themselves in the event there is any inconsistency (actual or perceived) between the claimed language and Examiner's paraphrasing. Furthermore, words used in the Examiner's paraphrasing should not be construed as claim

limitations if the claims themselves do not include the language referenced by the Examiner.
Other references or characterizations made by the Examiner in his Reasons for Allowance that
are not present in the claims are not to be construed as limitations.

Should the Examiner have any questions, **the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney** at the Houston, Texas telephone number (713) 934-4069.


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